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A Proclamation of the King's Majesties most Gracious and General Pardon.

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WHereas soon after Our Coronation, We had given Order for preparing of a Bill, containing Our most Gracious, General, and Free Pardon to Our Loving Subjects, with Intention to have passed the same into an Act in the first Session of Our Parliament, but were unhappily prevented therein by the late most unnatural Rebellion; which, since it hath pleased Almighty God by His Blessing upon Our Arms to Suppress, We have thought fit to renew Our Princely Intentions of Grace and Mercy to Our Subjects, especially considering the stedfast Loyalty of the far greater number of Our Subjects, who continued firm in their Obedience to Us notwithstanding that Rebellion: And being perswaded that many of those who joined themselves in that Rebellion being poor Labourers and Handicrafts-men, were drawn and seduced thereinto by the Subtile and crafty Insinuations of some Ill disposed Persons of greater Note and Quality than themselves, and not from their Own Evil Rancour of Mind and Traiterous Aversion to Us or Our Government, whose Condition We in Our Princely Clemency commiserating; And to the end their Fears and Despair of Our Mercy may not betray them to Evil and Lewd Courses of Life, but that they may with safety return to their Obedience to Us, and to their former Habitations, Labours, and Imployments. And that the Minds of other Our Subjects may be quieted, and that all Fears and Jealousies which may concern their Security for any matter since Our Reign, or in the Reign of Our late Dearly beloved Brother, be removed and wholly taken away, as much as in Us lies, We of Our especial Grace and Tenderness to Our People, do hereby Publish and Declare this Our most Royal and Gracious Pardon; And We do hereby for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Pardon, Acquit, Release and Discharge all and every Our Subjects (except Bodies Politick and Incorporate, and such other Persons who shall be herein or hereby excepted) of this Our Realm of England, Dominion of Wales, and the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, their Heirs, Executors and Administrators, them and every of them against Us, Our Heirs and Successors, of, and from all manner of Treasons, Felonies, Misprisions of Treason or Felony, Treasonable or Seditious Words or Libels, Seditious and unlawful Meetings and Conventicles, all Offences whereby any Person may be Charged with the Penalty and Danger of Præmunire; All Riots, Routs, Offences, Contempts, Trespasses, and Misdemeanours and all Judgments and Convictions for not coming to Church, and of and from the Forfeitures and Penalties for the same, or any of them heretofore had, committed or done, except as herein or hereby after is excepted. And Our Will and Pleasure is, That neither Our said Subjects nor any of them, nor the Heirs, Executors, or Administrators of any of them, be, or shall be sued, vexed or disquieted in their Bodies, Goods or Chattels, Lands or Tenements, for any manner of Matter, Cause, Contempt, Misdemeanour, Forfeiture, Offence, or any other thing heretofore suffered, done, or committed or omitted against Us or Our late Brother, His or Our Crown, Dignity, Prerogative Laws or Statutes, and not herein or hereby after excepted. And that this Our Grant of General Pardon, by the general Words, Clauses and Sentences before rehearsed, shall be reputed, deemed, adjudged, expounded allowed and taken in all manner of Our Courts and elsewhere, most beneficially and liberally for Our said Subjects, thereby Pardoned in all things not hereafter excepted, as if their particular Persons and Crimes had herein been at large and fully expressed.

Excepted and always foreprized out of this Our Pardon, all Treasons Committed or Done in the Parts beyond the Seas, or in any other Place out of this Realm; And also Excepted all Offences in Forging or False Counterfeiting the Great or Privy Seal, Sign Manual, or Privy Signet, or any of Our Monies Current within this Our Realm, or of unlawful Diminution of any of the said Monies by any ways or means whatsoever, and all Abetting, Aiding, Comforting, or Procuring the said Offences, or any of them.

And also Excepted all voluntary Murders, Petty Treasons, Wilful Poysonings, and all Offences of being accessary to the same, or any of them before the Fact committed; And also all Piracies and Robberies committed upon the Sea, Robberies upon the High ways, Burglaries in Houses, and all Offences of being Accessary to the said Offences, or any of them.

And also Excepted the detestable and abominable Vice of Buggery committed with Man or Beast; All Rape and Carnal Ravishments of Women; All Ravishments and wilful taking away or Marrying of any Maid, Widow or Damsel against her will, or without the Consent or Agreement of her Parents, or of such as then had her in Custody, and all Offences of Aiding, Comforting, Abetting, or Procuring the said Offences, or any of them.

And also Excepted, all Offences of Perjury, Subornation of Witnesses, Razing, Forging or Counterfeiting any Deeds, Escripts, Inquisitions, Indentures of Appraisment, or other Writings, or Publishing the same; Forging or Counterfeiting any Examinations or Testimonies of any Witness or Witnesses tending to bring any Person or Persons into danger of his Life, and all Procuring and Counselling of any of the said Offences.

And also Except, all Treasons, Offences, Misdemeanours and Contempts, other then such for which Judgment of Præmunire hath or may be given or for not coming to Church, of, and for which any Indictments, Actions, Bill, Plaint or Information, or other Process at any time within six years last past, hath been commenced, sued or depended in any of his Majesties Courts at Westminster, or other His Majesties Courts of Record held within the Cities of London and Westminster, and County of Middlesex, and is there depending or remaining to be prosecuted, or whereupon any Verdict, Judgment, Outlawry, or Decree is already given, Awarded or Entred; And all Fines, Forfeitures and Penalties thereupon now due or accrued, or which shall or may be due, accrue, or grow to the Kings Majesty, and all Executions for the same.

And also Except, all Informations and other Proceedings concerning High-ways and Bridges, or for Repairing County Goals, and all Fines and Issues set or Returned thereupon since the year One thousand six hundred seventy nine.

And also Except, all Offences in taking away, imbezelling, or purloyning any Goods, Moneys, Chattels, Jewels, Armour, Munition, Stores, Naval Provisions, Shipping Ordnance, or other Habiliments of War belonging to Us or Our late Brother.

And also Except, all Offences of Incest, Dilapidations, or Simony.

And also Except, all Contempts and Process thereupon issuing in or out of any Court of Equity.

And also Except, all Recognizances, Conditions, and Covenants, and all Penalties, Titles, and Forfeitures of Offices, Conditions, or Covenants forfeited, accrued, or grown to Us, or to Our late Brother, by reason of the Breach or not performing of any Office, Covenant, or Condition whatsoever.

Also Excepted all Concealments Frauds, Corruptions, Misdemeanors, and Offences whereby We or Our late Brother

ther have been deceived in the **Collection**, *Payments, or answering of Our Revenues, or any part thereof, or any other Money due to Us or received for Us or him, and all Forfeitures, Penalties, and* Nomine penes *thereupon arising.*

Provided always, That nothing in this Our Pardon contained shall Extend or be Construed to discharge any Fines, Sums of Money recovered by Judgment, Fines, pro Licentia concordandi, *Post Fines, Issues, or Amerciaments lost, imposed, or assessed, set or entred, in any Court of Record whatsoever.*

And also Except all Persons who are as to any pains, penalties, or disabilities whatsoever Excepted out of the Act of Free and General Pardon, Indemnity, and Oblivion, made in the Twelfth Year of Our late Brothers Reign, and also out of any other Act of Free and General Pardon since that time.

Excepted also all Persons who after Conviction or Attainder of, or for any manner of Treason, or Misprisions of Treasons have been Transported, and such Attainted of other notorious Crimes or Felonies have been Ordered or Directed to be Transported into any of Our Foreign Plantations

Except also all and every Person and Persons who in a Traitorous and Hostile manner Invaded this Our Realm with James Scott *late Duke of* Monmouth, *and all and every other person or persons who in the time of the late Rebellion under the said late Duke of* Monmouth *were Officers or had the Name or Repute of being Officers in his Army.*

Except also all Fugitives and persons fled from Our Justice into parts beyond the Seas or out of this Our Realm who shall not return and render themselves to Our Chief Justice or some Justice of the Peace before the Nine and twentieth Day of September *next ensuing.*

And also Excepted out of this Our Pardon the Persons hereafter particularly mentioned, viz. George Speke *of* White-Lackington *Esq;* Mary Speke *his Wife,* John Speke *Esq; their Son,* Samuel Townsend *of* Ilminster, Reginald Tucker *of* Long Sutton, James Hurd *of* Langport, George Pavior *of the same,* Gabriel Spratt *of* Aith Priors, George Cary *of* Glaston, John Lewis *of* Babcary, Thomas Lewis *of the same,* John Parsons *of the same,* Thomas Cram *of* Warmister, Place *of* Eddington, Robert Gee *of* Martock, Hugh Chamberlain. William Savage *of* Taunton, Richard Slape *of the same,* John Palmer *of* Bridgwater, John Webber *of the same,* Henry Herring *of* Taunton, Thomas Hurd *of* Langport, Christopher Cook *of* Wilton *Clothier,* Amos Blinhorn *of* Galhampton, *Mrs.* Musgrave *Schoolmistress, Mrs.* Sarah Wye, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Wye, *Mrs.* Catherine Bovet, *Mrs.* Scading, *Mrs.* Mary Blake, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Knash, *Mrs.* Mary Bird, *Mrs.* Mary Mead, *Mrs.* Susan Peck, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Barns, *Mrs.* Mary Burridge, *Mrs.* Hannah Burridge, *Mrs.* Grace Herring, *Mrs.* Anne Herring *Mrs.* Mary Waters, *Mrs.* Sarah Waters, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Germain, *Mrs.* Grace Germain, *Mrs.* Hannah Whetham, *Mrs.* Easter Whitham, *Mrs.* Susan Tyler, *Mrs.* Mary Goodwyn, *Mrs.* Sarah Longham, *Mrs.* Margery Sympson, *Mrs.* Sarah Reynolds, *Mrs.* Mary Hucklebridge, *Mrs.* Margaret Hucklebridge, *Mrs.* Mary Baker, *Mrs.* Mary Tanner, *Mrs.* Anne Tanner, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Gammon, *Mrs.* Sarah Stacy, *Mrs.* Hannah Stacy, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Dyke, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Baker, *Mrs.* Mary Smith, *Mrs.* Mary Page, *Mrs.* Elizabeth March, *Mrs.* Hannah Grove, *Mrs.* Elizabeth Hilsgood *of* Taunton, John Tucker *of* Shepton Mallet, John Bennet *of* Alisbeere *Gent* John Greenway *of* Crewkern, Thomas Skinner *of* Dawlish *Esq;* John *alias* Robert Moor *of* Haychurch, William Way *of* Combe-S. Nicholas, Robert Hucker *of* Taunton Penny *of* Shepton-Mallet, Thomas Hooper, Edward Keetch, William Parbury, Green; William Hulley, William Strode *of* Street *Esq;* Mary Bath *of* Wiirgton, George Legg *of the same,* Edward Rogers *of* Lanwell, John Rogers *of the same,* Ralph Green, William Jobbins, Manning, Whinnell, John Baker *of* Banwell Worms *of* Warmister Worms *of the same,* William Pardoe, Nicholas Smith, John Edwards, John Collier, Henry Coles *of* Bridgwater, Richard Blucock *of* Stoke Gurney, Henry Ireton, John Cragg *alias* Smith, Mary Jennings, James Hooper, John Benner, Joseph Gatch, William Thompson *of* London, Humphrey Alawyn *of the same,* Thomas Love *alias* Alexander *of the same,* Richard Tucker *of* Bishops Hull, William Crab *of* Aishill *Gent.* Francis Gough *of the same,* Francis Vaughan *of* Crilton *Esq;* Laurence French *of* Chard, Edward Matthews *of* Lincolns-Inn *Esq;* Hugh Cross *Senior of* Bishops Hull, Samuel Bernardiston, Benedict Hack *of* Cullitor, Henry Quick *of* Uppolry, John Combe *of* Luppit, Henry Gatchil, Nicholas Hore, George Pippen *of* Dalverton *Gent.* Abraham Carie *of* Taunton, John Huish *of the same,* Peter Terry *of the same,* Richard Raw *of the same,* Maurice Frith *of* Wincanton *Gent.* William Tiggens *of* Forde, John Kerridge *of* Lime Regis *Mariner,* Robert Parsons, Samuel Venner, Andrew Fletcher, John Fowke, Robert Bruce, Anthony Bruce, James Fox, Joseph Gaylard, William Oliver, John Wookers, Nathaniel Hook *Clerk,* Richard Lucas *of* Dulverton, John Bettiscomb *near* Lime Regis, George Stucky *of* White Lackington, Thomas Saxon, John Jesse, George Nye *of* Cheddar, Joseph Francklyn *of* Worle *Clerk,* Dore *late Mayor of* Limington, James Carrier *of* Ilmister, Nicholas Covert *of* Chichester *Gent.* John Tripp *of* Shippham, Joseph Hearse *of* Badgeworth, Francis Creswick *of* Fanham *Esq;* Fudge *of* Wedmore, *Colonel* John Rumsey, Joshuah Lock *junior,* Stephen Lobb *Clerk,* William Gaunt, Ralph Alexander, Bartholomew Vermeuyden, *Major* John Manley, Isaac Manley *his Son,* Walter Thimbleton, Aaron Smith *of* London *Gent. Sir* William Waller, Slingsby Bethel *Esq;* Francis Charlton *Esq;* Richard Goodenough, Nathaniel Wade, John Tellier, Richard Edghill, Samuel Story, John Jones, John Vincent, George Bowyer, John Dutton Colt, Charles *Earl of* Machlesfield, John Trenchard *Esq;* John Wildman *Esq;* Titus Oates *Clerk,* Robert Ferguson *Clerk.*

Provided that no Process of Utlary at the Suit of any person Plaintiff, shall be by virtue of this Our Pardon stayed or avoided, unless the Defendant appear and put in Bail, where by Law Bail is necessary, and take forth a Writ of Scire facias *against the Party at whose Suit he was Outlawed. And that this Our Pardon be not allowed to Discharge any Outlawry after Judgment, till Satisfaction or Agreement be made to or with the Party at whose Suit the Utlary was obtained. And Our Will and Pleasure is, That this present Pardon shall be of as good Force and effect to Pardon and Discharge all and singular the Premisses above mentioned, and intended to be Pardoned and Discharged, as if We should by Letters Patents under the Great Seal have Granted particular Pardons to every one of Our Subjects. And for the better manifestation of Our Gracious Intentions and Desire herein, We do give leave that any of Our Subjects not herein Excepted, may take and Sue out Our particular Pardon, pursuant to the Tenor hereof. And for that purpose We shall Direct Our Secretaries of State to present Warrants to Us for Our Signature, and give Order to Our Attorney General or Solicitor, to prepare Bills for passing Pardons to such as shall desire the same. Provided always, That this Our General Pardon shall not extend to any person that were in actual Arms against Us in the late Rebellion in the West, who being now within this Realm, shall not within Three Months after the Publication hereof, lay hold of this Our Pardon, and Testifie the same by their peaceable returning to their former Habitations, Labours and Imployments.*

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall* the Tenth day of *March* 1685. In the Second Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the KING.

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Warſaw, Febr. 1. The Palatin of *Poſnanie*, chief of the Embaſſy to the Czars of *Muſcovy*, has given the King an account of his arrival on the Frontiers, and that the advices he had receiv'd from *Moſcow*, ſeemed to promiſe a good ſucceſs in his Negotiation at that Court. The King has named the Biſhop of *Chelm* to go his Ambaſſador to the Pope. The Expreſs that arrived lately from *Perſia*, will be ſent back with a Letter from the King of *Poland* to the Sophy, to confirm him in his Reſolution of making War upon the *Turks*. The Letters from *Lemberg* tell us, that the *Turks* do draw together a great Body of Men on the Frontiers of this Kingdom, which obliges the Forces of the Crown to be upon their Guard.

Milan, Febr. 20. Our Governor the Count *de Melgar* having taken a review of the Troops in the Service of this Dutchy, has Reformed Twelve *Spaniſh* and Three *German* Companies of Foot, and Four Troops of Horſe; It was thought there would have been more Troops broken, according to the Orders that came lately from *Spain*, but his Excellency has thought fit to leave it to the Count *de Fuenſilida* his Succeſſor to finiſh this Reform.

Genoua, Feb. 28. The Count *de Fuenſalida* the new Governor of *Milan* is expected here from *Sardinia* the beginning of the next Month; during his ſtay in this City he will be lodged in the Palace of Prince *Doria*. Captain *Caratino* is fitting out the Ship he has bought of this Republick, with all the diligence imaginable; ſhe will carry 60 pieces of Cannon, and will be ready to ſail in a very ſhort time. By a Veſſel arrived in this Port from *Civita Vecchia* we are informed, that the Popes Gallies deſigned for the aſſiſtance of the *Venetians*, would be by the middle of the next Month in a condition to part from thence for the *Levant*, and that his Holineſs had reſolved to ſend a greater number of Land Forces on the ſaid Gallies this year than he did the laſt. The Gallies of the Great Duke of *Tuſcany* are likewiſe fitting with great diligence at *Leghorne*; they are deſigned for the ſame Service, and will it's believed be ready to ſail about the ſame time.

Venice, March 4. A great Convoy is preparing of above 30 Ships, which will be ready to ſail the next week to joyn the Fleet, which according to our laſt advices was ſtill at *Corfou*. Captain-General *Moroſini* has written to the Senate that he intends to open the Campagne before the end of this Month, and therefore prays that the Troops and Proviſions, which he expects, may be haſtned to him. We have advice that the *Bacha* of *Lepanto* has reinforced the Gariſon of *Navarino*, apprehending the *Venetians* have a deſign upon that place.

Vienna, March 3. The Sieur *Grunckow*, Commiſſary-General of the Forces which the Elector of *Brandenburg* is to ſend to the Emperor's aſſiſtance, arrived here the 28th. paſt; he has aſſured the Imperial Miniſters that the ſaid Forces will begin their March the 20th. of this Month. A Commiſſary is likewiſe come hither from *Dreſden*, as well to regulate all Matters concerning the March of the Troops of *Saxony*, as to provide Magazines for them in *Hungary*. A great many Boats paſs daily down the *Danube* laden with all ſorts of Ammunition and Proviſions; and the Recruits arrive here in conſiderable Bodies, who after having refreſhed themſelves, are ſent for *Hungary*. Several Ingiiiers, and a great number of Gunners and Miners, who came from *Moravia*, have been ſent to *Raab* and *Comorra* to be employed in the making of Bombs, Carcaſſes, &c. Two dayes ago arrived here Lieutenant-Collonel *Corbelli*, being ſent by Lieutenant-General *de Mercy* to give the Emperor an account of the condition *Zolnock* and the other places the *Imperialiſts* are poſſeſſed of on that ſide, are in, and to ſollicit a ſum of Money, as well for the making the neceſſary proviſion for the defence of thoſe places, as for the payment of the Troops in Gariſon there. All our advices from the Frontiers ſay, the *Turks* make great preparations for the Campagne; That the Grand Viſier will come into *Hungary* with a very numerous Army, and that he will be joyned by a great Body of *Tartars*; That *Hali Bacha* is made Seraskier againſt the *Poles*, who with the Forces of *Moldavia* and *Valachia*, will it's ſaid, have 80000 Men under his Command. The Emperor has named the Baron *de Becke* to be Governor of *Philipsbourg* in the place of the Count *de Starenberg*, who with his Imperial Majeſties leave, goes into the Service of the Elector Palatin, in the quality of General of his Forces. We have from ſeveral hands the confirmation of the account we gave you in our laſt, of the taking of the Fortreſs of St. *Job* by the *Imperial* and *Hungarian* Troops commanded by General *Caraffa*.

Ratisbonn, Febr. 30. The Deputy of *Mentz* has propoſed to the Dyet, to take into conſideration the Emperor's Letter, demanding the aſſiſtance of the Empire againſt the *Turks*, which the Electoral College have reſolved to do at their next meeting. There is likewiſe before the Dyet a Memorial preſented by the Elector *Palatin*'s Miniſter, concerning the Pretenſions of the Dutcheſs of *Orleans* upon the Allodial Lands of the *Palatinate*, in which they have not yet taken any Reſolution.

Cologne, March 15. The *Imperial* Sub-Commiſſioners have this week received new Orders from *Vienna*, concerning, as is believed, the perſons that are now Priſoners here, ſome of the chief whereof, and particularly *Fuden*, have been ſince ſeveral times examined in order to the forming their Proceſs. The Children of *Sacks*, and ſeveral others, who promoted the late diſorders here, have been baniſhed. They write from *Bonne*, that great preparations were making there for the Reception of the Elector of *Mentz*, who had let the Elector of *Cologne* know he intended to make him a Viſit.

Hague, March 19. The Heer *Van Starembergh*, Ambaſſador from this State to his M. C. Majeſty, who had leave to come home to look after his private Affairs, is ordered to haſten his return to that Court. The Count *de Naſſau* is gone back to his Government of *Boldue*. The Letters from *Hamburgh* of the 15th Inſtant, tell us the *Lunenburgh* Troops continued in the Poſts they had taken within the Territories of that City.

Paris, March 20. The King recovers daily of his